

**REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application No.: 10/608,590  
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First Named Inventor: James M. Sweet  
Group Art Unit: 2176  
Confirmation No.: 8455  
Examiner Name: Nathan Hillery  
Attorney Docket No.: A2555Q-US-NP

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE)  
under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA [and 102(e)/103 removal for commonly owned applications]. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000); 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000), which established RCE practice. [Note that § 1.114 also requires prosecution to be closed to use an RCE.]

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
- i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
  - v.  Other
- b.  Enclosed
- i.  Amendment or Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Other Preliminary Amendment

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) (required))
- b.  Other

**3. Fees** [The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.]

- a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. **24-0025**.
- i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) - **\$810.00**
  - ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17). Please grant any required extension of time.
  - iii.  Other
- b.  A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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